BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS/MUNICIPALITIES MEETING MINUTES FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013

Commissioner Kirby Delauter called to order a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County, Maryland, ("Board") and the municipal officials of Frederick County for Thursday, March 14, 2013, at 5:30 p.m.

Those attending from Frederick County Government: Commissioners Blaine R. Young, *President*, Kirby Delauter. Commissioners C. Paul Smith, *Vice President*, Billy Shreve and David Gray were absent from the meeting.

Elected municipal officials present were Randy McClement, Mayor, The City of Frederick; Wayne Creadick, Mayor, Town of Myersville; Jake Romanell, Councilman, Town of New Market; Bob King, Councilman, Town of Mount Airy; Tom Watson, Burgess, Village of Rosemont; John Kinnaird, Commissioner, Town of Thurmont; and Russ Winch, Commissioner, Town of Walkersville.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for January 10, 2013, were unanimously approved.

BUSINESS

Tax Equity Calculation - Tanya Kauffman, Budget Office, Office of the County Manager

Ms. Kauffman presented the FY 2014 tax equity calculations. A brief discussion of the fire tax rate ensued. Ms. Regina Howell commented on the fire tax issue and the proposal to have all fire and rescue services included in the general fund beginning July 1, 2013.

<u>2013 Annual Transportation Priority Review – Ron Burns, Community Development</u> Division

Mr. Burns presented the summary of the proposed priorities for state highways, county roads, local and regional transit and pedestrian facilities, and the Frederick Municipal Airport. A letter outlining the list of priorities would be submitted to the Maryland Department of Transportation.

Municipal Synergy Opportunities - Dave Dunn, Office of the County Manager

Mr. Dunn recommended to the elected officials that they should confer first with the county's Department of Procurement and Contracting before considering any purchases or contracts in order to take advantage of any synergy opportunities.

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COMMENTS

Commissioner Young announced that Congressman Chris Van Hollen would be attending the Board's meeting on Thursday, April 4 at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Young commented on the proposed Frederick County property tax rate. Mayor Creadick announced he had recently become certified in the Power Saver Challenge and become a Green Leader. He encouraged all elected officials to participate in the county's Green Home Challenge through the Frederick County Office of Sustainability and Environmental Resources.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Pam Abramson
- Steve McKay
- Terry Kroll

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Patricia Morrow Recording Secretary